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SUBJECT: US CLAIMS AGAINST EGYPT (TWELFTH MEETING OF JOINT  
COMMITTEE)

1. THE TWELFTH MEETING OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE WAS HELD AT THE  
EMBASSY ON JULY 29.

2. AS PREVIOUSLY AGREED, THE U.S. SIDE PROVIDED (A) SUPPLEMENTARY  
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CLAIMS OF AMERICAN MISSION A (1) AND (B)  
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF HADDAD CASE A (20).

3. UNDERSEC DEWIDAR PROPOSED THAT THE TIME WAS PROPITIOUS TO  
CONSIDER CERTAIN GENERAL PRINCIPLES IN THE LIGHT OF DISCUSSIONS TO  
DATE, WITH FIRST FOCUS ON LAND REFORM CASES. U.S. SIDE NOTED THAT  
THERE WAS A DISCREPANCY IN THE AMOUNTS OF AGRICULTURAL LAND STATED  
IN THE EGYPTIAN SUMMARY OF LAND REFORM CASES AND IN SECTION A OF  
THE L LIST. SUBJECT TO FUTURE ADJUSTMENTS OF THE PARTICULAR AMOUNTS,  
DEWIDAR PROPOSED THAT VALUATION SHOULD BE BASED ON THE AVERAGE  
FIGURE OF LE 350 PER FEDDAN IRRESPECTIVE OF WHETHER THE LAND WAS  
CHOICE AGRICULTURAL LAND OR DESERT LAND. TWO CASES (A)  
AMERICAN MISSION CASE A (1) AND (B) SALLOUM CASE WOULD BE THE  
SUBJECT OF FURTHER DISCUSSIONS. HOWEVER, WHATEVER EMERGES  
WOULD BE UNDER THE UMBRELLA OF THE FINAL LUMP-SUM SETTLEMENT  
AGREEMENT. THE U. S. SIDE NOTED THE EGYPTIAN PROPOSAL AND SAID  
THAT IT WOULD BE REPORTED TO WASHINGTON.

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4. BLOCKED BANK ACCOUNTS: THE U.S. SIDE NOTED THAT IN THE COMPREHENSIVE UPDATED LIST PROVIDED BY THE EGYPTIAN SIDE SOME EIGHTEEN CASES ON L LIST WERE NOT ACCOUNTED FOR. ON FOURTEEN CASES THE U.S. SIDE HAD PROVIDED THE NAMES OF BANKS AND ACCOUNT NUMBERS. ON RECEIPT OF LIST OF THESE CASES THE EGYPTIAN SIDE WOULD CHECK AND REPORT BACK. DEWIDAR PROPOSED THAT SUBJECT TO ADJUSTMENTS AND CONCURRENCE OF THE FINANCE MINISTRY, BLOCKED BANK ACCOUNTS WOULD BE UNDER THE UMBRELLA OF THE FINAL LUMP-SUM SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE USG RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR PAYMENT AS IN OTHER CASES. THE U.S. SIDE NOTED THE EGYPTIAN PROPOSAL AND SAID THAT IT WOULD BE REPORTED TO WASHINGTON.

5. CONTRACTUAL OR DEBT OBLIGATIONS. THE EGYPTIAN SIDE OBJECTED TO THE CONSIDERATION OF THESE CASES AS BEING OUTSIDE THE COMPETENCE OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE WHICH WAS CONCERNED SOLELY WITH LAND REFORM, NATIONALIZATION AND SEQUESTRATION CASES. U.S. SIDE POINTED OUT THAT IN FACT TWO OF THE CASES AROSE OUT OF NATIONALIZATION PROCEEDINGS. DISCUSSION OF THESE CASES WOULD BE RESUMED LATER.

6. HABACY CASE E (8). THE EGYPTIAN SIDE AGAIN OBJECTED TO THIS CASE ON THE GROUND THAT EVEN THOUGH HE MIGHT HAVE ACQUIRED AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP BY NATURALIZATION, HE WAS ALSO AN EGYPTIAN NATIONAL AND SUBJECT TO EGYPTIAN LAW. AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION, THE U.S. SIDE RESTATED U.S. VIEW ON THE DOCTRINE OF DOMINANT EFFECTIVE NATIONALITY IN DUAL NATIONALITY CASES. THE EGYPTIAN SIDE PROPOSED THAT EACH SIDE SUBMIT TO THE OTHER WRITTEN STATEMENTS ON THE NATIONALITY QUESTION IN ORDER THAT BOTH SIDES MIGHT STUDY THE LEGAL QUESTIONS FURTHER. THE U.S. SIDE NOTED THE EGYPTIAN PROPOSAL AND SAID THAT IT WOULD BE REPORTED TO WASHINGTON.

7. DEWIDAR PROPOSED THAT THE MEETINGS OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE TERMINATE ON AUGUST 3 AND THAT THE MEETINGS BE RESUMED IN MID-OCTOBER. THE U.S. SIDE NOTED THE EGYPTIAN PROPOSAL AND SAID THAT IT WOULD BE REPORTED TO WASHINGTON.

8. THE NEXT (THIRTEENTH) MEETING OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE IS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY JULY 30.  
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